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THE PROBABILITY forecast in our July number is now an accomplished fact. Central Committee has endorsed the proposed new schedule of monthly topics and this will go into effect next spring. The subjects for the first three months of the year remain unchanged. The list of topics may be found on page 166 of the July issue, with the parallel topics of the Woman's Home Board. Our own subjects are the same for the Assembly's and the Woman's Boards. Our readers will notice several radical changes. To China are assigned two full months, one of these superseding the month we have hitherto devoted to the consideration of missionary literature. We shall therefore have hereafter no Book Number. Africa will now be the theme for April instead of for September; the Philippine Islands will come before us in June instead of in October; Siam in November, not in May; India will have part of September and all of October, but Syria and Persia will still be condensed into one issue, which has always been a regret to those specially interested in those countries. Beginning with the magazine issue for January, 1918, the new list will appear at the top of the second page of our cover.

THE SWEDISH MINISTER at Constantinople, now in charge of American affairs, cabled our Board as follows: "Just heard from Bliss all friends well and occupied collegiate work. Keep you advised news of interest. American Minister." Dr. Stanley White says, "There is no date defining the time when this message left Syria, but we can assume that it left after our break with Turkey, in April; I also assume that it refers to Americans in Beirut who are not connected with the Protestant College. Had there been any serious trouble, either from sickness or for any other reason, the cable would probably not have read in this way."

As we are having "war menus" at our clubs, public dinners, etc., WOMAN'S WORK for August and September also offers its readers a somewhat reduced bill of fare. Instead of our usual twenty-four pages we are reduced to twenty, though this necessitates omitting much which we should like to print.

JUST a word, in our abbreviated editorial notes, to our Secretaries of Literature. As the English and French are looking to America for food and coal and steel, so we look to these valiant allies to stand by their own magazine in this time of special stress. Steady hard work and close planning go on all the time in this office. These are required to keep the magazine circulating promptly and efficiently. We ask our secretaries not to lay down their work because the weather is hot and people are scattered. At last year's annual meeting of the New York Board Mrs. Twitchell said: "Definite results are seldom achieved by one large effort, but by many small ones." Keep on making persistent, even if small efforts, and if you can not reach your public personally now, be making bold plans for your fall campaign.

DR. ROBERT E. SPEER spoke at the Presbyterian Church Officers' Confer-

ence in Princeton last September on *Proportionate Giving.* His address has been printed in pamphlet form and any Presbyterian pastor may obtain free, and postpaid, enough of these pamphlets to give one to each family represented in his church, by addressing The Layman Co., 143 N. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.

As has been mentioned many times every dollar sent to the American Committee for Armenian and Syrian Relief, One Madison Ave., New York, goes straight to the starving, there being no charge whatever for administration or transmission. It is tragic to think that there are those who are eager to make capital for themselves of the agony of their compatriots. But this is so indubitably the case that the Relief Committee has been compelled to issue a warning to the public against the horde of unscrupulous Orientals who provide themselves with manufactured credentials as ministers or relief workers, find pulpits and week-day services open to them, and obtain collections from charitable Americans upon which they themselves live at ease. There are, it is true, trustworthy Orientals who are seeking aid for their countrymen, but these men ask only to be allowed to present the facts. They receive no money themselves, but leave the church representative to transmit any offering to an accredited agency.

Mary Lattimore's friends felt unspeakable gratitude that Dr. Mary W. Griscom of Philadelphia, who had been a dear friend of hers for years, was with her during the last weeks of her life. Dr. Griscom had returned from India to do some medical school work in Peking and in Canton. Her presence was indeed a blessing and a help.

We quote from an exchange a story, showing that tastes differ as to color of the skin. An Indian woman, to whom a missionary had been appealing, suddenly said to her: "You say you are God's servants and He loves you—then why did He make you so bleached and faded?"

Two Notable Books

Mrs. A. F. Schauffler

The Gateway to China, by Mary Ninde Gamewell (Fleming H. Revell Co.). Any one who wishes to gain a correct idea of a Chinese city, in these days, should by all means read this very attractive book of Mrs. Gamewell's. She knows her subject well, and gives most accurate and life-like descriptions of the situation of Shanghai and the actual conditions which prevail in the city. The opening sentence of the preface gives some idea of the value of the work: "Shanghai is a little world, where all China in miniature may be studied at close range."

The book deals with the Chinese from every province, who drift into the city, retaining in a great degree their own customs and traditions; and with the people of the town, who are changing and adopting new ways and new business methods. Shanghai was originally a "Mart of the Sea," as its name indicates, but it is now sixty miles inland, owing to the great Yangtze-kiang having deposited the soil brought down by its floods. The city has grown by leaps and bounds, until now it has a native population of over a million and about twenty-one thousand resident foreigners. "It is the national headquarters of missionary work, the chief seat of commerce, the home of progress, in short, the nerve centre of China, whose influence reaches out to the remotest corners of the land." "Shanghai faces problems and dangers peculiar to the Orient, but her future is

On the sacred mountain of Takao, Japan. The worshipper is in the temple bowing before the offering-box into which he has cast his gift.
Photo. sent by Rev. Howard D. Hannaford.

bright with the promise of boundless development."

The foreign element is in control of the government, and rules through the "Municipal Council" and the "Mixed Court." Careful sanitary rules, and an efficient police force make the city a safe one in which to live. The British have brought with them their love of sports, and horse-racing, and have a fine park and public recreation grounds. It seems like a dream to read of "Bubbling Well Road" with its handsome residences and its well-paved surface, where automobiles flash up and down, full of happy merry-making Chinese. There are eight hundred motor cars in Shanghai. It is pleasant too to read that the finest street in the French Concession is now called "Avenue Joffre."

There is a delightful description of the public market, which covers a whole block and is clean and well kept, with a good supply of running water. Very vivid pictures are given of the streets, the shops, the boats and the schools. Housekeeping problems are discussed in a bright vivacious way, which reminds one of *Chinese Characteristics*. But the most astonishing chapter is the one entitled "A Wizard Publishing House," which tells of Chinese industry and enterprise in founding a great printing establishment which would do credit to Britain or America. The story of the rapid growth and development of this publishing house reads like a tale from the Arabian Nights.

It is a fascinating story of the modest beginning of three young Christian Chinese with two small printing presses in 1897, and the wonderful growth of the work until now. "The Commercial Press" has eighteen hundred employees, with forty branch offices in China, and a thousand selling agencies in other countries where Chinese settlers are found. If the Chinese can establish such a plant as this, it seems as though they could do anything in a commercial line.

The concluding chapters of the book deal with customs old and new, Chinese successes in social service and the romance and pathos of the mills. The very last chapter is on Protestant Mis-

sions in China—including the China Inland, the London Missionary Society, the Presbyterian and Episcopal Boards, the Baptists and Methodists. The story of their work is briefly given, but it is graphic and attractive. The book is well worth reading, as it unites solid information with a life-giving touch of presentation.

The White Queen of Okoyong is the high sounding title of a charming book for girls and boys, and it is only the *Life of Mary Slessor of Calabar* told for young people. As the title page says, it is a true story of "Adventure, Heroism and Faith."

It is a fortunate thing that Mr. Livingstone himself was able to abridge his *Life of Mary Slessor*, far too large a volume, with its 350 pages, to attract young people, and containing details of savage life which are rather too harrowing for young minds to dwell upon. But this book, with its fascinating record of heroic effort, its lovely stories of relief work, would charm any girl or boy, and become an inspiration to them to make a success of their own lives. It is a pity that some of the good photographs which are in the large book are not reproduced in this, as the small wood cuts given do not help much in making the story vivid.

The whole life of Mary Slessor is the story of visions fulfilled, for from the early days of her factory life in Dundee down to her last days of failing health in Africa, she always saw before her the shining vision of "what might be" and then toiled for its fulfilment. She saw peace coming between the savage tribes, where her life was thrown; she saw trial by poison stopped; she saw the lives of twin babies saved; she saw the ravages of strong drink checked; she saw women taught to sew and read, and best of all, she saw these wild children of the forest come under the sway of the Kingdom of God. What she saw in a vision she lived to see in large measure accomplished, and anyone who visits the part of the country where she spent her thirty-nine years in Africa, must be struck with the difference between that district and the surrounding regions. The British government recognized her marked ability in dealing with the natives, and gave her a position of dignity and importance, where she in her official capacity helped the native chiefs to settle "palavers" and establish order. She would attend these long sessions of the native court and listen for hours without speaking, and then suddenly announce a decision which was so clear and so just that both sides would agree that she was right. It is amusing to read that on these occasions she always employed herself with knitting, which helped her to pass the tedious hours. Africans have no idea of the value of time, and spend hours over a case which should take but a few moments.

Mary Slessor had an overwhelming love for children, white or black, and the simple mud houses where she lived fairly swarmed with them. She would have fifteen or twenty about her at once, from the older girls, who were supposed to help in the household, down to a tiny twin baby just rescued from a cruel death. She took some of these native children with her on several occasions to Scotland, where they were the objects of great interest. She absolutely relinquished the comforts of civilization when she lived in the forest and went bare-headed and bare-footed year after year, only resuming shoes and a hat during her rare visits to the Coast towns. It is pleasant to know that the English government realized the power for good which she was and sent out to her a silver cross from the "Order of the Hospital of St. John in Jerusalem," a reward given to those noted for goodness and philanthropic work.

When the war broke out in Europe

Mary Slessor felt it keenly, and as she was already weary and weak, she did not long survive, but passed peacefully to her Heavenly Home on January 13th, 1915.

Her memory is to be perpetuated in the *Mary Slessor Memorial Home for Women and Girls,* and in years to come grateful hearts will show their appreciation of the work which she did for them in Calabar, by following in her footsteps and serving the Lord whom she loved.

The Zulu Yesterday and Today. By GERTRUDE R. HANCE. Illustrated (but without any index). F. H. Revell Co. $1.50. Forty-six years ago Miss Hance sailed for South Africa as a missionary under the American Board. She labored among the Zulus for twenty-nine years with but one furlough. When she went out, Africa was to the fore in missionary interest, for the world was wondering whether Stanley had found Livingstone. Her fellow passengers on the ship felt that both were dead.

Africa is again to the fore in missionary circles, and although Presbyterians are not carrying on work in the South, yet these observations of the life and customs of the Zulus are of interest to us. The Boer War, the diamond mines and other things make the land of especial concern. Although she is a woman who has spent much time in the saddle and has seen herds of as many as five thousand springbok at one time, yet there are not the adventures recorded which delight the Sunday-school scholar, who would have the missionary almost mauled by a tiger before escaping from the cannibals. The book is not of striking literary merit, and sometimes the experiences seem to be strung together without much connection, yet it is of great value as description of daily life and ordinary occurrences which "home folks" often miss in the writings of their representatives on the field.

Gilbert K. Chesterton has said that one thing he likes about a missionary's address is that in it he is usually told about the Chinaman and not just about China. The human interest bulk large in this volume; we are introduced to the Zulu—stalwart, dignified, conservative. We are told that he is proud of his race, for "A Zulu father will say to his little son, 'You must not scream or make a fuss when you are hurt or in pain; you are a Zulu, a little Zulu man.'" We see their primitive ways also, and feel that we have met some real Christian characters. There is Pindile, the heathen girl, with small, slight hands, whose mother would not let her say the Lord's Prayer in the home. She became a servant in the missionary home; when the family cow becomes ferocious over the absence of the calf, and rushes madly at the missionary, attacking her and trampling her underfoot, it is little Pindile who boldly risks her life and grasps the horns of the animal, so great that they measure four feet from tip to tip. The beloved missionary's life is saved, because of this heroic act. Of her brave deed Pindile can only say, "God gave me the strength."

And then there is old Tobeano! In a dream he receives the impulse to study Christianity. He is seventy and an "old-fashioned heathen." At first he thinks to wear civilized garments will make him a Christian, but the missionary tells him, "you want some clothes for the heart." Then he cuts from his head the ring of some glutinous substance which the Zulu wears fastened around the top of his head. He is told that many people who do not wear a ring on their heads are not Christians and he is greatly perplexed. Two years later he has mastered the Lord's Prayer and even some words of his own to speak to the Lord. Of the Bible messages he learns to say,

"They are like a letter from God to me." But he cannot give up his beer. "I am old," he says, "I have not a variety of food. . . . I have given up my heathen customs; I have given up my ring; I have given up my wives; but how can I give up this little cup of beer that I need?" When the church votes to make an exception in his case and receive him nevertheless, at last he feels that he is a Christian. But later he voluntarily forfeits the beer. "I'm old and can not get on without my sleep. I do not sleep nights when I remember that I have not given it up. Can't I give a thing up that I love, when He has done so much for me?" Then he says: "My strength is going; I have not much longer to live on the earth. I am happy here because Jesus makes me glad; but I shall be more happy if I may soon go where I can see Him." Tobeano is so well depicted that many a reader will wish to see him some time in heaven, along with others of every land whom we have learned to love in missionary books!

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Pittsburgh, Pa.

New United Study Books

An African Trail, by Jean Kenyon Mackenzie

B. Carter Millikin

The reader and the student of this remarkable book, which Miss Mackenzie has written out of her ten years' intimate association with the people in the West Africa Mission of the Presbyterian Church, will find herself—for it is pre-eminently a book for women—indeed treading an African Trail! Guided by the author she will enter the country with the missionary, will follow him or her and realize anew the difficulties, the isolation, the surroundings, the opportunities and the rewards of missionary service.

She will find along the trail the real African people—the Bulu man, the master, the Bulu woman, the slave—both in bondage to the things of custom, of fear and of fetish. She will discover what the Bulu thinks of God—the one who "having created us, forgot us." She will enter into sympathy with the Bulu in his struggle with the supernatural, and will realize what it must mean to break loose from bondage to spirits, to fetish, to taboo, and to be emancipated from fear—how difficult, how glorious!

She will stand beside the missionary as she tells "the things of Jesus." She will come to a new appreciation of the meaning and of the power of the Ten Commandments, the "Ten Tyings," the "Perfect Taboo." She will witness the entrance of the Bulu into the "Tribe of God," the confession of sin, the new social adjustment, the break with fetish, the struggle with superstition, the new moral standards, and the remodeling of conduct, the backslidings, the growth in grace.

The study of this book develops a greater respect for the African Christian who, in the old environment, is becoming, by the grace of God, a new man or woman. The student will, as she follows the trail, discover how vital and how far-reaching are the new customs of the "Tribe of God" among the Bulu, how they make new men, new women, new marriage, new families, new neighborhoods, new hospitality—a new society.

When the student has finished the book she will find herself at the starting of many trails which lead on and on toward the heart of Africa—toward the hearts of the Africans. For this book is full of human interest, it is full of information, it tells just the things that one wants to know, it is inspiring; in short it is a text-book, the study of which should mean much to the women of the Church.

With *The Lure of Africa,* by the Rev. Dr. Cornelius H. Patton, the book prepared for the use of groups of men and of young people; *The Moffats,* by Ethel D. Hubbard, a book for boys and girls, and Miss Mackenzie's unique text-book for juniors, *African Adventurers, An African Trail* unites to make the strongest course on foreign missions for church-wide use which has ever been issued.

"*African Adventurers,*" the new Junior textbook, is so fascinating that when begun one does not want to lay it down until the last page is finished. The author, Jean Kenyon Mackenzie, loves her native land enough to exclaim, "Every time I think of the fact that I am an American, I want to get down on my knees and thank God!" Yet she left her home to go to Africa thirteen years ago. The way in which she appreciates the beauty and resources of Africa and understands the depth of cruelty and crime of a primitve people; her insight into the secrets of the souls she wins for Christ, are shown in her other books, *Black Sheep* and *An African Trail,* but her deep sympathy with youth and childhood, American and African, is brought out in *African Adventurers.* There is no effort to get down to the child's level, but a perfect understanding as though hand-in-hand with children, white or black. Boys will understand how an African Christian boy deserves the "Drum name" — "He-stands-like-a-dagger." Girls will realize how one little Christian African girl can bring her whole village to Christ. Both boys and girls will take home the challenge in the missionary's nickname, "You - walk - alone! Where-are-your-brothers?" Young and old will catch the thrilling scene of a crowd of Africans listening to the story of Livingstone told from a black man's viewpoint.

Miss Hutton's helps on this book are "different," and if used in connection with *African Adventurers* will not fail to impress a group of Juniors. This is truly the children's year and leaders of boys and girls are far better equipped than ever before.

(*Mrs. Edgar Dudley*) *E. G. Faries.*
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

BOOKS RECEIVED

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY'S ONE HUNDREDTH ANNUAL REPORT. *In the Land of Ararat,* Sketch of the Life of Mrs. Elizabeth F. B. Ussher, Missionary to Turkey and Martyr to the Great War. By John Otis Barrows. F. H. Revell Co. Price, One Dollar.

PRESBYTERIAN BOARD OF PUBLICATION: *Heroes of the Campus;* Vivid sketches of thirteen young men of distinction in Christian service, by Rev. Dr. Joseph W. Cochran. Price, 60 cts. *A Concise History of the Presbyterian Church,* by Rev. Dr. Wm. H. Roberts. Price, 50 cts. *An Old Fashioned Home,* sermon by Rev. Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman. Price, 3 cts. *Four Hundredth Anniversary of the Protestant Reformation,* illustrated programs for services for adults and for children. Price, 5 cts. a copy, $3.00 a hundred.

Mary Lattimore

MRS. WALLACE RADCLIFFE

MARY LATTIMORE was born in Vernon, Indiana, December 4, 1860; she entered into New Life May 22, 1917. Her work was at Nanking, China, from 1888 to 1898; at Tooker Memorial Hospital, Soochow, from 1898 to 1917.

Mary Lattimore. Photo. loaned by Mrs. Wallace Radcliffe.

She was trained in Washington, D. C., under Professor Alexander Melville Bell in the School for the Deaf, and taught deaf little children for some years. Endowed with rare linguistic gifts, she spoke the language of heaven for twenty-nine years, and "held the lamp of life so high, the hand that held it was not seen." Frail of body, strong of purpose, great of heart, she has finished her course, she has kept the faith! Returning to Washington when on furlough, she became such an integral part of the presbyterial life that to go on without her now is difficult. What must the emptiness be in the little white hospital and the garden she loved so

well? Little children are missing her, and suffering and sorrowful women. "House Mistress" she was and in detail of house and account keeping, of interpreting for new missionaries, in training of servants and nurses, in entertaining visitors, in teaching and itinerating, she lived and loved all those years not in her own strength.

With rare literary taste and a facile pen, she might have done enduring work. But, from force of circumstances, her writing was incidental and almost secret, though so vivid. After the death of Dr. Esther Anderson, whose companionship was so precious to her, Mary's hold on life loosened. On reopening the hospital without her "little doctor," she said: "Of myself I can not do this thing, but I know God will help me. He has not yet said to me, 'Lay down this work'; when I try to think of other work, He keeps me just here."

Many girls and women in Washington are different because Mary Lattimore was their friend.

To a group of them she wrote recently:

"In my heart always is a great longing for you, that you may not miss out of your lives the most beautiful thing in the world —LOVE—love that will draw you first to the Lord of Love and then fill your hearts so full that they must overflow. There is nothing else worth while without it, dears. That was the bond that held us together—my dear 'Little Doctor' and me. Our love for our Master and love for His service sweet! If my letters to you fail to help you to this knowledge, they are worthless. To *love* and *serve* is the *duty*, the privilege, —more, the *joy* of her who first loves the Blessed One. The little hospital under the old wall is empty. The women and the babies, the old and the sick, have no one to care for them. They do not know, many and many of them, how to find their ways to the other hospitals, miles away.

Where is the one to lift the burden laid down? Where the servant to hear her Master's voice, saying: 'Go care for them?' Where the one to give herself to the helping and saving of China's women in the dark? Surely, some one will hear. Some one will come. We are praying, we are hoping, we are waiting. In all the sorrow, through all the pain, there sounds a note of triumph and of joy. The Master has said He is with us always. He has not forgotten. The Light will be lighted in the hearts of His chosen ones by some one sent by Him!"

"Who will answer, gladly saying:
Here am I, O Lord, send me?"

And the Lord lifted up the light of His countenance upon her and has given her peace!

WASHINGTON, D. C.

School of the Presbyterian Prophets

SUNSHINY June weather and moderate temperature marked the opening of the twentieth annual Conference of the Board with new and furloughed missionaries. So much uncertainty had been felt about the possibility of sending reinforcements to the front this year that it was peculiarly gratifying to see the strong body of over eighty young men and women assembled for the special training which this Conference gives. They came from the far corners of the earth, from California, Washington, Oregon, Colorado and Nebraska; from Texas, Tennessee, Florida, Missouri, Minnesota, Michigan, Kansas, Iowa, Illinois and Ohio; from Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey and Connecticut; from Canada and Scotland, China and Syria. Most of them are college graduates, many have post-graduate degrees. Among the universities represented were those of Buffalo, Cincinnati, Nebraska, Minnesota, Kansas, Oregon, Stanford, Colgate, Princeton, Cambridge and Edinburgh; and among the colleges Agnes Scott, Albion, Allegheny, Bryn Mawr, Edinburgh, Elmira, Grove City, Maryville, Occidental, Park, Reed, Somerville, Vassar, Wellesley and Wilson.

A natural inquiry, which occurred to many, was that concerning the military liability of this fine body of young men, most of them within the age limit of registration. Many of them, as ordained men, are automatically exempt-

ed from conscription. Those who go out to assume other responsibilities, financial, educational, technical or professional, must leave the final decision about their service to the United States Government. On application for a passport each case will come before the authorities for individual decision. It is hoped that their international service will be recognized as at least the equivalent of military service, especially now when so many missionaries of other nationalities have been withdrawn from the field.

The expense in money alone to the Board involved in assembling and entertaining this body of new and experienced workers amounts to thousands of dollars. From Wednesday morning, June 6th, through Wednesday, June 13th, the sessions and other appointments, with secretaries, doctors, representatives of the Women's Boards, etc., occupy the entire time; a week's course in phonetics, to assist in language study, follows. By the time the new missionary has lived side by side with his comrades for those two weeks he is no longer just an individual worker but an integral part of a great organization, with a feeling of *esprit de corps* which will mean much for the loyalty and cohesion of the body of missionaries during future years. The intimate acquaintance with the Board's methods of administration, acquired by personal observation, will be invaluable to them. Even more important is the personal acquaintance. Each of the Board's Secretaries gathers in his own home the missionaries belonging to his fields, and this friendly and cordial hospitality establishes a real "tie that binds." Officers of the Women's Boards also make a point of meeting and entertaining their own missionaries; the Board of New York greets the whole gathering at an afternoon reception. The Presbyterian Social Union of the city invites all to a delightful dinner, given this year at the Hotel Astor and distinguished by beautiful music, good short talks from new and furloughed missionaries, and addresses of thrilling interest by former Ambassadors Van Dyke and Gerard. There are besides many private hospitalities to individuals. New York has the reputation of being inhospitable; the hospitality is necessarily different from that of less crowded cities but none the less cordial and friendly.

All the Board's staff of Secretaries and Assistant Secretaries was present this year. Five of the six Women's Boards were represented by their presidents: Miss Hodge, Mrs. Williamson, Miss Davison, Mrs. Bissland and Mrs. Goss. The hour devoted to the Women's Boards was in charge of Miss Hodge, who made the most of every minute. A few of the outstanding personalities among furloughed missionaries were the Rev. President J. C. R. Ewing, D.D., and the Rev. Edmund D. Lucas of India; Rev. J. H. Freeman and Dr. J. W. McKean of Siam; of China, the Gilmans, the Corbetts, Mr. Johnson, the Abbotts, the Fishers, Mr. Weekes and his bride, formerly Miss Jessie Angell, who has done Y. W. C. A. work in China; Rev. Dr. Coan of Persia; Rev. Mr. Boomer of Chile; Miss Hilda Helstrom of Chosen, and many others. The farewell service on Sunday was in Rutgers Church. Daily devotional services were conducted by various members of the Foreign Board, lay and clerical. The strong, fresh young voices and the fine accompaniments of the Rev. W. J. Anderson, one of the new missionaries, made the singing, as always, a notable feature. "America" was not used so often that it became commonplace; the old hymns gained new force by the volume and fervor with which they were sung: "Oh, Zion, haste!"; "If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now!"; "Speak to me, Lord, that I may speak;" "Dear Lord and Father

of mankind;" "Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord."

Notebooks and fountain pens were busy all the time. It was interesting to see experienced missionaries whose own utterances are received as authoritative, like Dr. McKean, industriously making notes of the counsels given to the new workers. We wish for space to quote many of these nuggets of thought, dug out by experience, but can give only a very few of them, with no attempt at order or sequence:

DR. SPEER: The aim of foreign missions is to make Jesus Christ known to the non-Christian world. Education, hospitals, many other uplifting results naturally follow, but keep clear the aim, to reach the soul of the non Christian. . . . There are two great motives in life, duty and love. Do not depreciate duty. We must ground our lives in the holy ideal to do what is *right*, then love of God and love of men will follow: DR. CHAMBERLAIN: The periods of the world's greatest distress have been the periods of the highest spiritual attainment. Compensation for war's agony must be great spiritual growth, new belief in the efficacy of vicarious sacrifice. DR. BROWN: Familiarize yourself with the religions of the country to which you go. They represent the results of the best efforts of those people. Treat them with respect. Respect implicitly the laws of the country. Find out and conform to the proper etiquette and respect due to its officials. Don't get entangled in politics or diplomacy; treat other foreigners as you would like to be treated yourself. DR. WHITE: Be cheerful; don't pity yourself; don't be grouchy; be constructive, not a fault-finder; don't gossip; guard your personal appearance, don't be careless, sloppy, down-at-heel; be loyal to your associates; make friends. DR. COAN: Don't try to push on too fast; take things as they come; be learning all the time; things will seem to you to move slowly; remember to adapt *yourself;* learn patience and forbearance; observe fully before formulating opinions; stand up for each other through thick and thin; practice loving your associates even when they are not lovable. MR. BOOMER: Go on increasing in the knowledge of God, you can not put Christ-likeness on outside. MR. JOHNSON: Don't lose sight of aim in planning methods and elaborating machinery. The old missionary mustn't think he knows it all, nor must the new missionary think he does. Look for the best in others; have a saving sense of humor. MRS. GILMAN: Follow faithfully the *Yearbook of Prayer,* remember what others are doing and the help they need. MR. FREEMAN: In every non-Christian religion there is some point of contact; find it and work from it. DR. MCKEAN: "Dont's" reminded him of the mother who said,

Group of missionaries at General Assembly at Dallas, Texas. From left to right: Rev. Dr. S. M. Jordan, Persia; Rev. H. W. Stewart, Siam; Rev. F. P. Gilman, Hainan; Rev. W. B. Boomer, Chile. Snapshot by Rev. Graham C. Hunter.

"Go and see what Willie is doing and tell him to stop it!" In tropical countries remember there are twenty-five millions of hookworms and jiggers to every square inch, don't go barefoot; don't eat uncooked food or drink unboiled water or milk; *never* forget your mosquito-net, the anopheles mosquito loves to puncture white skins with her malarial hypodermic needle; have a hobby outside of your work; cultivate serenity of mind. Mr. Day: Don't write to your friends for special gifts, saying you can get them "outside of the Board." The whole Presbyterian Church is the Board's constituency. All they can give is needed to carry on pledged work. Dr. Brown: Realize your responsibility. You are sent as a teacher, a doctor, a nurse. Don't throw off the work to which you are pledged, to do which your expenses to the field are paid, to be married in a few months. At least wait till your successor can be sent. Dr. Halsey: Don't forget to keep our arsenal supplied with munitions; we must look to the missionaries for vital facts, methods, results; for pictures, costumes, curios, anything to make people and places real to those at home.

E. E.

CHANGES IN THE MISSIONARY FORCE.

Arrivals:

At ———, April—, Rev. and Mrs. Geo. H. Winn from Chosen. Address, Care Dr. J. J. Lampe, 4824 Davenport St., Omaha, Neb.

At San Francisco, May 24—Rev. Dr. and Mrs. D. G. Collins of N. Siam. Mrs. Collins's address, Westminster Homes, Wooster, O.

At San Francisco, May 24—Miss Edith E. Towne from China. Address, Hot Springs, N. C.

At Vancouver, May 28—Miss Ethel N. Todd from Japan. Address, 460 W. Main St., Wabash, Ind.; Miss Mary Lovett from India. Address, Little Silver, N. J.

At Seattle, June ——Dr. Maud Allen from India. Address, Care Mr. Robert Campbell, 1103 18th Ave. N., Seattle, Wash.

At ———, June 3—Dr. and Mrs. F. J. Tooker from China. Address, New London, N. H.

At ———, June 12—Dr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Park from N. Siam. Address, Box 87, R. D. 3, Bridge Villa, Pa.

At San Francisco, June 17—Rev. and Mrs. A. A. Bullock from China. Address, 3302 W. 17th St., Los Angeles, Cal.

At Vancouver, June 25—Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Wanless, of W. India. Address, Care Geo. Wanless, 211 Humberside Ave., W. Toronto, Canada.

Departures:

From San Francisco, June 5—Rev. and Mrs. E. P. Dunlap, returning to N. Siam; Miss Julia M. Hodge, returning to the Philippine Islands.

From San Antonio, Texas, June 23—Mrs. R. R. Gregory, Mrs. R. A. Brown, Miss Jessie R. Bergens, returning to Mexico; Mrs. M. M. Burckett, Miss Lucile Sage, to join the Mexico Mission.

From New York, June 26—Miss Mabel Barnhouse, to join the Colombia Mission.

Marriages:

At Los Angeles, Cal., June 9—Miss Helen E. Smith of the Kiangan Mission and the Rev. G. U. Gammon, under appointment to Kiangan.

At Tsinanfu, China, June 21—Miss Katherine C. Witmer and Mr. Wm. H. Adolph, both of the Shantung Mission.

Retired:

Miss Ruby B. Brownlee of Chosen. Appointed 1910.

Miss Myrtle E. Russell of S. China. Appointed 1914.

Death:

On May 12—Miss Kathryn F. Stewart of the W. India Mission. Appointed 1913.

In Chicago, Ill., June 9—Rev. D. G. Collins, D.D., of the N. Siam Mission. Appointed 1886.

"At our last breakfast on the ocean steamer we laid aside our apples, as we did the evening before, and told the steward that we were saving them to divide among the missionaries in Barranquilla. He at once very kindly offered to bring enough to make one for each of them, which was eight. Soon after arriving at Barranquilla we brought out the apples and distributed them. Such exclamations you never heard, each grabbing his apple and involuntarily thrusting it to the nose, then a great sniff, all followed by exclamations of "Oh, how good!"

(Rev.) Thos. E. Barber.

Medellin, Colombia, S. A.

Tai Shan, the Holy Mountain; one of the oldest sacred mountains known. Thousands of pilgrims climb it yearly, reading the old sayings carved on the rocks by the paths. Picture and verses taken from *Report of the Kiangan Mission.*

TAI SHAN

JAMES B. COCHRAN

I come a pilgrim to the holy mount,
No stick of incense grasped within my hand,
No paper gold or silver, bright but false,
The common offering of the pilgrim band.

Up from the busy plain of daily life,
Where through the cypress groves my pathway lay,
As step by step I climb the stone-paved steep,
My cares and sorrows drop beside the way.

First comes the stillness of the wide expanse,
And then the horror from a look within;
Trust in the Father's love and majesty,
A shudder for my own defiling sin.

Rock-carved comes judgment from some ancient sage,
"Clear is the spring. Is thine own heart as pure?"
Conviction first and then the call of hope,
"Only beseech: for you the answer's sure."

What can I bring this God of majesty
Sitting enthroned upon the eternal hill?
The "Incense of the Heart" He asks of me,
The humble following of His holy will.

The sun is sunk within the clouded west,
Fast falls the mantle of the darkening night;
Through silence comes His voice in whispering breeze:
The God who probes my heart then gives me might.

How We Market in Siam

Mrs. W. A. Beach

I want to tell you of the food-problem here and a little of how we manage it. In the main market we may buy a variety of things but nothing of much use to us. The best merchants are Chinamen and they cater to native trade rather than to missionaries. One block further is the daily vegetable and meat market. On sale here each morning are such vegetables as the natives raise, eggs, and fruits in season. We order in bulk all staple groceries, flour, sugar, butter, salt, milk, coffee, starch, soap, cereals, cocoa, jams, fruits, etc. The butter we have always used is the French "Bretel Frères," and we doubt whether we can secure it this year. The American tinned butter does not seem to be put up properly to keep the whole year, during the changes of weather. For daily food we send our cook each morning to the market and trust to luck that he will get something eatable. Usually we can get eggs. We are trying to raise enough chickens to keep ourselves supplied with eggs and meat. The native vegetables are not much to our liking, but help out. Last cool season we experimented with a garden of our own, which was far from being a success. Potatoes are a luxury—none being grown in Siam. They are imported from Java and India and our only chance to get them is once or twice a year, when our biggest merchant brings them from Bangkok. Owing to the long trip, and frequent wet weather, many spoil on the way up, so that we have to pay a good price for what we get. The merchant will risk not more than two or three bushels at a time, so a half-bushel is usually the limit of the amount we can buy. We figure that we pay at the rate of five or six dollars a bushel, and that is expensive eating, but it happens so seldom that we feel justified in being extravagant, for the time being. The Java potatoes average in size between an American quarter and dollar—most of them being the quarter size. Indian are somewhat larger and of a superior quality. Meat is our hardest problem. Every other day or so beef is killed in the afternoon, so it is necessary to send our cook again in the afternoon if we wish to have beef. We can use it only on the day it is killed, as there is no way of keeping it cool over a night or day. Beef, pork, chicken and duck, with an occasional fish, constitute our meat list. Native chickens are poor eating. We must either buy young fowls and fatten them or raise our own. We think the mango the best fruit of Siam. Pineapples are ripening now and allowed to ripe on the stalk, they are much superior to those picked green. Bananas are abundant, but the natives do not cultivate theirs, so we find our own orchards much more satisfactory. The big sour banana we use as you would use apples at home, for we have no apples and this is the nearest to them in taste. Papaya trees have excellent fruit. We have the Bangkok and Honolulu varieties and in another year hope to have good fruit from them. Custard-apples, ox-hearts, oranges and limes—this is about the limit of fruits, except for the tamarind which we use for making the sweet wine for the communion.

Muang Nan, N. Siam. *Mrs. W. A. Beach.*

How to Cater for a Party. When these people become Christians many of what they used to consider good times must be given up because they are a part of heathenism. Sometimes we try to replace these with good times of our own. The other night I had a party of forty women, and you should have seen the hilarity! I had a borrowed gramophone with Siamese records, we pinned the tails on an elephant and played crokinole, then we had tea and crackers and cocoanut candy. We gathered the cocoanuts from our own tree, used palm sugar, tinned butter, tinned milk, and some Montgomery Ward vanilla to make the candy. *Bertha M. Mercer.*

AN ANNOTATED BIBLE

THE PICTURE shows one page, reduced from a size nearly as large as a page of this magazine, as it appears in the new annotated Japanese Bible prepared by Rev. Dr. Pierson and issued last May. The text reads from right to left and the Japanese type, so strange and confused to our unaccustomed western eyes, gives a little hint of the wall between souls which is built by a different language. Dr. Pierson has been in Japan nearly thirty years, has a cultivated command of the language and the special competence for this work of a thorough Bible student. In one of his circular letters Dr. Pierson says:

Specimen page of the Japanese Annotated Bible.

"When I first reached these shores in 1888, Dr. Hepburn, the veteran missionary of our church, held up before an interested audience a copy of the New Testament in Japanese (already translated for some years) and a copy of the Old Testament, the translation of which had just been completed, and placed them together. From that year the nation has had the entire Bible in the vernacular. The reason is not far to seek, perhaps, why in the Providence of God the New Testament was given this people before the Old Testament. Doubtless it was the urgent need of the Gospel first. But one feels as he grows into deeper acquaintance with the spiritual life of the Japanese Church that it lacks in appreciation of the righteousness of God, the meaning of sin, and the *need* of the Atonement. We of the Western Church began with Genesis and came up through the Law to the Gospel. Not so here. Life and the misery of sin is known well enough, but not the interpretation thereof. Of these things the Old Testament speaks.

"Given an established and growing Church nurtured in the Gospel only—for in the great majority of cases the Christians of Japan do not know the Old Testament; many do not even possess it—given, I say, a New Testament Church with the Commentary Hebrews and not the counterpart Leviticus commented on, with Revelation and no Daniel or Ezekiel as background, with repeating references to Temple, priest and altar and no Exodus, with the great Atonement itself and its commentaries in Romans and Galatians and no knowledge of the four milleniums of sacrifices that preceded, and you have good and sufficient reasons for urging the study of the history, prophecy and institutions of the old dispensations."

Out of this need has grown the careful preparation, involving many months of extra work in the life of a busy missionary, of a Bible with cross references, notes, concordance and other explanations which make it an invaluable help to students of Christianity at the fountain head.

ON Sunday last a thousand people of the beach tribes gathered here to give thanks that they were still alive. They specifically mentioned these items: that the English rescued them in February of 1915, taking them away from this ruined neighborhood where they were starving to death, and putting them down at Victoria where they were under protection for one year; that they were returned to their homes in February, 1916, by the Allies, and that now, in February, 1917, after a year of severe privation and shortage, food begins again to come in from their gardens. It was an impressive service which I could not of course understand. They sat down out of doors. A thousand is no sort of a crowd in the interior, but we think it remarkable on the beach.

Jean K. Mackenzie.

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A pamphlet of general suggestions for the Organization and Conduct of Mission Study Classes.

Important: Order above books and Literature from your Own Board Headquarters and *not* from Woman's Work.

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—*Margaret Boyle.*

HOME DEPARTMENT

WAYS OF WORKING

Questions Suggested for Discussion at Conferences:

Why is the membership of the missionary society small in proportion to women church members?

How can you reach all the women of your congregation?

Has your Literature Secretary a fund with which to buy leaflets? How secured?

What place should the devotional element have in our meetings?

Can club methods be used in missionary meetings and in what way?

Is it wise to introduce the social element?

What are some of the best ways to make our meetings interesting and attractive?

What is the best way to secure missionary funds?

How should the Contingent Fund be raised, and for what purposes used?

How can we best use our magazines?

How can we secure missionary instruction in our Sabbath-schools?

What do we mean by Specific Work?

Is it wise to select a woman as President of a missionary organization who takes no active part in other departments of her own church work?

What is the relation of an Auxiliary to other missionary organizations in a church?

How does the Extension Department help the Auxiliary Society?

How shall we get out of the rut of small gifts to Missions?

Should a Young People's Secretary urge our denominational work as of first importance?

Does it pay to send delegates to presbyterial meetings? Should their expenses be paid?

How can we interest the uninterested?

How can we develop leaders?

At what age should Westminster Guild Chapter members enter the Auxiliary?

How shall we use our Annual Board Report?

A SACRED DUTY

HOW MANY CHILDREN WILL YOU AWAKEN IN SEPTEMBER?

If the spirit of missions is carefully cultivated in our children there can be no war in the future, for the Christ-like love for their fellowmen will produce a condition of "Peace on earth, good-will to men" which will leave no room for hatred. There is greater need than ever for the true missionary spirit to be a part of every child's education, for after the war there will be a crying need of the spread of the Gospel. Let us therefore make it a sacred duty to see that every child in the Church is acquainted with the only junior missionary magazine for Presbyterian children, *Over Sea and Land*. At the small expense of twenty-five cents a year, a child is kept in close touch with the splendid missionary work of the Church. So long as children are interested in missions, we need have no fear for the future of our work. But let the child-interest lag, and where are the missionaries, of tomorrow and the splendid givers? Let us train the children to be kindly, generous, loving, and the future of missions will be assured. *Over Sea and Land* is a stimulus of which no woman can afford to deprive her children. Let us make September a special CHILD AWAKENING MONTH. See that every child you know is a subscriber to *Over Sea and Land*, or gets it through the Sunday-school!

CORRECTION

In the account of the Biennial Assembly at Albany in Woman's Work I am quoted as saying: "The women had to be reached through the men; therefore the Boys' School was first started. The boys were taught to demand educated wives and in time the Girls' School was opened."

Both the Boys' and the Girls' School were opened the same year, 1873. The above impression evidently arose from confusing the Boarding Department with the Schools, or from the following things which I *did* say: "There can be no 'new woman' in Moslem lands until we have the 'new man.' Since the Moslem women are the property of the men, the ideals of the men must be changed before we can do much for the women. The women missionaries who have taken classes in the Boys' School have made it a chief purpose to prove that women can be educated, that they may even become helpmates and companions to their husbands. And this has had its effect. Our Moslem boys are bringing their sisters to the Girls' School and are demanding educated wives . . . The first Christian College for boys will soon be established and the indications are that it will be followed by a college for girls before many years, as there is now a demand for this." (*Mrs. S. M.*) *Mary P. Jordan.*

NOTES FROM HEADQUARTERS

From Philadelphia

Send all letters to 501 Witherspoon Building. Regular meetings of the Society discontinued until September 18th.

Topics for Prayer: Prayer for more Faith in God's Power and Willingness to fulfill His Promises.

The passing on into the home eternal of Mrs. T. M. Sinclair of Cedar Rapids, Iowa,

on May 25, brings memories of one who served for years on this Board with wholehearted devotion, the mother of two missionary daughters in China who could praise God in the fires of the Boxer rebellion and claim the martyr's promise for the Christian Church in China. The beautiful peace of God ever shone on her face, hallowed by trial and suffering; what must it be now in the presence of her Lord?

JUNE Directors' Meeting was of special interest on account of the number of our newly appointed missionaries who were with us. We have the pleasure of adopting five new missionaries who were all present. Miss Caroline D. Beegle, nurse, to go to China; Miss Anna V. MacArthur, to go to Colombia; Miss Marie Gillespie, to go to West Persia; Miss Helen M. Kendall, nurse, to go to India, and Mrs. W. H. Tilford, to go to West India. Three of our previously adopted missionaries were with us. Miss Helen Moore, to go to North Persia; Mrs. S. C. Henderson, to go to Chile; Mrs. E. G. Seel, to go to Chile; one of our candidates, Miss Helen H. Freeman, and Miss Margaret Marr, who goes to Truelight Seminary for one year. The social luncheon which followed gave an opportunity for becoming better acquainted. Other guests were Miss Martha B. Hunter, Barranquilla; Miss Catherine T. Woods, China, and Miss Drummond, China.

AT the prayer meeting Mrs. F. P. Gilman of Hainan told of their great need of a motorboat, in order to make it possible for them to extend their work on the mainland; she said the field was large and Presbyterians were the only missionaries there.

DR. EVERITT spoke of the problems confronting the medical work of missions; the higher educational standards disqualifying many young women; the war reducing funds and supplies and the number of available doctors.

MRS. W. E. SMITH of Chosen, told of ten new missionaries for Chosen, one a doctor and one a graduate nurse. Mrs. W. T. Cooke of Chosen, expressed her joy in being able to return to her work.

OUR Board officers and secretaries have visited many presbyterial meetings and have brought back interesting reports, the following being a sample: Our Field Secretary writes of the splendid advance in the Y. P. work in Ohio. At the twelve presbyterial meetings she attended, the Y. P. Societies were well represented and had due recognition on the programs. One Society is known as "The Woman's and Y. P.'s Presbyterial Society." The banquets at the Dayton and Columbus meetings and the Cleveland Rally were well attended, full of enthusiasm and showed the finest spirit. One C. E. Society in Mahoning Presbyterial Society deserves special mention as contributing last year $8.84 per member to the missionary work of the church..

ANNUAL REPORTS have been mailed as usual. Additional copies may be had for ten cents each as long as they last. These are valuable for reference and information. List of new leaflets will be found on page 183. Order from 501 Witherspoon Building.

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From Chicago

Meetings at Room 48, 509 South Wabash Ave., every Friday at 10 a. m. Visitors welcome.

ON JUNE FIFTEENTH, our Treasurer, Mrs. Bradley, reported a good $12,000 advance to date in receipts over the same period of last year. This shows that the women of the Northwest appreciate the importance of their *trust* in guarding the treasure-box of our Lord. In these day of "drives" and of most pressing calls on our purses, we need to remind ourselves often, "These things ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone."

THE Summer School of Missions for Colorado had its most delightful meeting this year at Boulder, June 13-20. The presence of Mrs. D. B. Wells and Mrs. Silverthorn insured success. Mrs. Wells had the Classes in Bible Study and led her audiences in the afternoons with the general subject, "The Woman's Birthright," developing it day by day as one of *Vision*, of *Courage*, of *Ministry*, of *Redemption*, of *Love*, and of *Faith*. The whole week was one of joyful uplift. Boulder lying against its background of mountains is an ideal place for the school.

OF the twelve Presbyterian Conferences this Summer, one-half are held in the territory of the Board of the Northwest—no excuse for ignorance or indifference this year!

SYNODICAL ADVANCE asked for 1917-18, $20,000. Amounts asked for Stations: South America. South Brazil Mission, $2,500; Central Brazil Mission, $2,500; Chile: Santiago, $3,000; Valparaiso, $1,400; Bucaramanga Venezuela, $600—$10,000. For the Philippines: Dumaguete, $3,000; Manila, $1,500; Iloilo, $1,500—$6,000. For Siam: Bangkok, $2,000; Chiengmai, $2,000—$4,000. Total, $20,000.

THE PRESBYTERIAN HOSPITAL of Chicago has been most generous to our missionaries. While we as a Board, own only a share in one endowed room which entitles us to privileges for a part of a year, we have had missionaries taken care of there, free of charge, for almost the entire time during the past year. Mr. Bacon, the superintendent, and Mrs. Graham, president of the Women's Hospital Board, are ever mindful of their needs and comfort. Not only have we the nursing and physicians' care for our invalid missionaries, but in the *Training School for Nurses* there is always a place for one nurse to be in training for the Woman's Presbyterian Board of the Northwest. These are wonderful opportunities, and so far as we know, are offered by no other hospital in the United States.

THE MISSIONARY COUNCIL of Des Moines, Ia., composed of the missionary societies of the various churches of the city, will conduct an Interdenominational School of Missions in Des Moines, September 16-21, under the leadership of Mrs. H. L. Hill of New York. For detailed information address Mrs. Chas. E. Risser, 1907 Sixth Ave., Des Moines, Iowa.

From New York

Meetings discontinued until October third. Orders for literature should be sent to Room 818, 156 Fifth Avenue, which will be open all summer during office hours.

As these words are being written, the Conference for newly appointed missionaries is drawing to a close. It has been a special privilege to meet and welcome to our New York Board Mrs. Chas. S. Smith, Miss Ruth C. Williams, Miss Lucile F. Donaldson, Dr. Eva Grace Fowler, Mrs. E. J. Weekes and Miss Helen C. Silsby, all under appointment to China.

WILL each presbyterial society send the place and date of its fall meeting as early as possible to Miss Davison, Room 818, 156 Fifth Avenue?

THE "SPECIAL" for this year is $15,000, a new "War Emergency" appeal. Our Board is responsible for the salaries of fifty missionaries in China and seven in Persia. The rate of exchange in these two countries has risen so high that in order to give our workers the equivalent of their full salaries, the Board needs this extra $15,000. This sum has been duly apportioned among our presbyterial societies and the Board has every confidence that it will be met in full. No one will be willing to let the financial burdens of this World War fall on our already over-burdened missionaries.

A FEW changes are to be noted in the Secretaries of the Board for correspondence with synodical and presbyterial societies, and in the societies assigned to them. After several years of service as Corresponding Secretary for the synodical and presbyterial societies of Kentucky and for a number of the societies in New York, Mrs. William E. Waters feels it necessary to resign this part of her work, remaining, however, Dean of the Home Secretaries. Mrs. Peter Stryker corresponds with the synodical and presbyterial societies of New England and New Jersey and with the Presbyterial Society of Porto Rico. Mrs Herbert K. Twitchell with the presbyterial societies of Albany, Brooklyn, Champlain, Columbia, Long Island, Nassau and Troy. Mrs. George A. Spalding with the presbyterial societies of Genesee, Geneva, Lyons, New York, Niagara, Otsego and Rochester. Miss Lauribel Hart with the presbyterial societies of Binghamton, Cayuga, Chemung, Hudson, St. Lawrence, Steuben, Syracuse and Westchester.

WITH the increase of our missionary force, the Board has felt the necessity of adding to the number of its Foreign Secretaries. It is with peculiar pleasure that we announce the appointment to this office of Mrs. Arthur J. Brown and Mrs. A. W. Halsey.

EXTENSION DEPARTMENTS are coming into their own in our territory. Over fifty new ones have been organized during the past year and many others are in process of formation. This is a branch of our work which we cannot afford to neglect. It often brings unexpected returns in addition to increase in strength to the societies and interest to the "shut-ins."

IN response to the many requests for copies of *A Palaver*, presented by the Foreign Secretaries at the Biennial Assembly in Albany, it is announced that these may be obtained by addressing Miss Ellison, at the headquarters of our Board.

From St. Louis

Meetings every first and third Tuesday of each month at Room 707, Odd Fellows Building, 816 Olive St. Visitors welcome. Send to above address for literature.

EACH year of our work seems to set the pace for its successor, and so with few exceptions, each year we have gone out farther, "lengthening our cords."

ENCOURAGED by the outcome of the China campaign, we begin a new "Special" with becoming enthusiasm and faith, notwithstanding the very discouraging condition of things in general. Apportionments will soon be given out to auxiliaries.

FOR those who may not know just what our new "Special" is:—Five thousand dollars towards a Girls' Dormitory at Silliman Institute; four thousand for the Miss Darling Home for Missionaries—really a residence for a certain number of single lady missionaries; eight hundred for a rest bungalow in India, a summer retreat in the mountains; and two hundred for completion of another bungalow, both in India; total, ten thousand dollars toward the million dollar drive, inaugurated early in the year.

THREE candidates have been accepted and assigned during the last month: M ss Peters of St. Louis goes to Silliman Institute; Dumaguete, P. I.; Miss Williams of Kansas to Guatemala City and Mrs. E. E. Walline to China.

LETTERS were read at the last meeting from several of our South American missionaries: Mrs. McCall, Miss Morrison and Mrs. Garvin. Those of us who are studying *The Living Christ for Latin America* heard these letters with more than ordinary interest.

WE have enjoyed having with us for some weeks, Mrs. Maude C. Williams of California, a valued secretary of former years, and a devoted life member of our Board.

MRS. ALLISON of Emporia Presbytery was also a welcome visitor.

OUR Miss Julia Hodge was with us for a brief while, apparently restored to health after her year's rest, and we are glad that she will soon have help in her work.

From San Francisco

920 Sacramento St. Meeting first Monday of each month at 10.30 and 1.30. Executive session third Monday. Prayer service first and third Monday from 12 till 12.30.

SYNODICAL and presbyterial societies report increased interest, larger membership and numbers of subscribers to the missionary magazines and Prayer Calendars. Pledges are paid promptly. The standard of excellence is accomplishing more careful keeping of society rolls and records. San Francisco and Oakland have bridged the distance of the bay between them and achieved a merger in a new presbyterial society, which augurs well for future efforts. An advance step by the Synodical Society is the adoption of Miss Reiner of Chosen, as Synodical Missionary.

THE BOARD'S EDUCATIONAL SECRETARY, Mrs. Ernest F. Hall, who lives near the large State University campus in Berkeley, has been extremely successful in devising novel ways of attracting Presbyterian young women in college to the work of their church. Felowship suppers and delightful speakers lure the uninformed girl to a ready response in service. At a recent meeting of the Alumnae Committee, organized by Mrs. Hall, Miss Isabel Laughlin charmed nearly fifty seniors and leading girls at the Presbyterian House near the University. Miss Laughlin says of this meeting: "The spirit shown was amazing . . . all interest and enthusiasm. There were a number of Student Volunteers present, beside girls who had never before thought of missions. As a result of this . . . I was invited to have dinner and speak at two of the leading Sorority houses on the campus . . . and talked missions for a solid hour . . . a meeting of this kind practically an unheard-of thing, these days, in the Sorority houses. Mrs. Hall's Alumnæ Committee is a joy. The eagerness and interest which the members have absorbed is resulting in raising up strong leaders for future work out here."

A STRIKING answer to prayer in a rescue case was reported at the May Board meeting by Miss Higgins, who is bravely doing Miss Cameron's thrilling work during the latter's needed rest in the east. With Miss Mary Bankes, she went to Sacramento in search of a Chinese girl released from the Mission Home by a legal trick. With the slenderest possible clue, they walked without direction from the station, and met the girl and her captors face to face. By a wise parley and quick action they secured the proper guardianship writ and the girl was returned to the Home.

ANOTHER instance of the Christian efficiency of the Home and its consecrated workers was the conversion in Oakland's Chinatown of a heathen woman whose approaching death was robbed of the terrors she dreaded. By the ministrations of Miss Lee, the Chinese pastor, and Mrs. Yeung, she was led to Christ. Since her death, her little girl has been safeguarded from possible danger by being given for a time to Miss Higgins's care. Mrs. Wisner, formerly of Canton, China, teaches a class in the Old Testament to the girls in the Home.

DR. MAUD MACKEY and MISS EDITH GUMBRELL are to sail July 25th, returning to Paotingfu, China.

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From Portland, Oregon

Executive meeting at 10 a. m. on first Tuesday of each month, and popular meeting on third Tuesday at 2.30 p. m. in First Church. Literature obtained from Miss Abby S. Lamberson, 454 Alder St., Portland.

Our Board invites missionaries about to pass through our territory, to send due notice to Mrs. F. I. Fuller, 503 Spring Street, Portland.

OUR Board of Directors held its first meeting on the Tuesday following our Biennial Assembly and was largely attended. This is a new body bringing a larger number of women into our councils and follows the organization plan of other women's boards of foreign missions. Mrs. Mossman, who lingered with us after the Assembly, led our devotions. Mrs. Goss read a letter which she had received from Dr. Leonard—the first written by her own hand since her long convalescence. We were rejoiced over this evidence of her gain.

THERE are a few changes in our executive committee. We are sorry to lose Mrs. F. L. Phipps, secretary of mission study for the past two years, who moves away from Portland. Miss Vida S. Nichols was elected to the office. Mrs. Allan B. Slawson was made secretary of specific work.

THE announcement that the collection taken on the last afternoon of the Assembly would be devoted to the purchase of a dictionary, encyclopedia and typewriter for Miss Van Vranken in her school work at Chiengmai, Siam, brought forth a generous response, and all will be pleased to hear that the amount was quite sufficient to cover the expense of these articles so necessary for every school.

OUR new *Annual Report* has been sent to every society, and is for study and reference during the year. We urge that it be made the subject of the July meeting or a special meetings as soon as expedient. The new charter and by-laws will be found in it, necessitated by our changed organization to foreign work only.

DR. MAUD ALLEN and her mother arrived in Seattle early in June. She says she cannot express her delight and happiness to find that the special object this year is to be the Ferozepore Hospital.

SEATTLE PRESBYTERIAL SOCIETY is much pleased to accept the support of Mrs. Stanley Soltau, daughter of Mrs. Addison Campbell, who was president of Seattle Presbytery for several years.

MISS ESTHER WHITE was married May 30th to Mr. Claude Maylott. They will sail

in August for South Siam, and Mrs. Millican, with her husband, sails August 30th for Ningpo, China, where they will have charge of the educational work.

OUR new study books are upon Africa, with the general theme, "The Light of Christ in the Life of Africa." There will be extra copies of the *Annual Report* at the depository free for any who wish to send for them.

☞ Do not send orders for leaflets, Yearbooks or other literature to WOMAN'S WORK but to your own Headquarters.

RECEIPTS TO JUNE 15, 1917

By totals from Presbyterial Societies

Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church

ATHENS,	$97.05	HUNTINGDON,	$1,326.77	REDSTONE,	$658.12	WELLSBORO,	$24.00
BALTIMORE,	3,558.53	HUNTSVILLE,	70.29	SHENANGO,	198.80	WEST JERSEY,	205.50
BEAVER,	173.50	HURON,	107.45	ST. CLAIRSVILLE,	619.41	WEST TENNESSEE,	103.70
BELL,	12.25	KITTANING,	366.46	SOUTHERN VIRGINIA,	2.00	WESTMINSTER,	94.50
BIRMINGHAM, A.,	52.15	LACKAWANNA,	1,368.73	STEUBENVILLE,	300.50	WHEELING,	258.01
BLAIRSVILLE,	441.00	LEHIGH,	328.78	UNION,	136.75	WOOSTER,	207.90
BUTLER,	339.00	MAHONING,	514.50	WASHINGTON,	785.85	ZANESVILLE,	214.66
CHATTANOOGA,	58.25	MARION,	350.13	WASHINGTON CITY,	3,060.34	Miscellaneous,	1,716.00
CHESTER,	1,238.74	MAUMEE,	106.10				
CINCINNATI,	1,116.38	MONMOUTH,	359.00				
CLARION,	559.27	NASHVILLE,	110.00				
CLEVELAND,	952.10	NEW BRUNSWICK,	724.25				
COLUMBUS,	515.58	NEW CASTLE,	480.03				
CUMBERLAND MT.,	7.90	NEWTON,	285.75				
ELIZABETH,	461.00	NORTHUMBERLAND,	566.00				
ERIE,	341.90	PARKERSBURG,	62.40				
FAIRFIELD,	23.14	PHILADELPHIA,	4,042.49				
FLORIDA,	31.50	PHILADELPHIA, NORTH,	2,346.03				
FRENCH BROAD,	21.00	PITTSBURGH,	4,164.52				
GADSDEN,	5.00	PORTSMOUTH,	205.50				
HOLSTON,	76.00						

Receipts from May 15th to June 15th, 1917,	$36,552.46
Total since March 15th,	44,460.59
Personal Gifts to Missionaries,	260.00
Persia Relief Fund,	181.30
Syria Relief Fund,	15.60
Latin America Development Fund,	2,119.78
Siam Extension Fund,	388.64
Million Dollar Fund, Miscellaneous Items,	1,470.50
War Emergency Fund,	33.00

(Miss) ANNA VLACHOS, *Treas.*,
501 Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia.

The Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions of the Northwest

ADAMS,	$32.50	FREEPORT,	$88.18	NEW ALBANY,	$128.95	SAGINAW,	$90.00
ALTON,	164.00	GRAND RAPIDS,	62.00	OAKES,	46.40	SHERIDAN,	21.80
BLACK HILLS,	29.00	GUNNISON,	81.00	OMAHA,	366.95	ST. CLOUD,	168.50
BLOOMINGTON,	409.91	HASTINGS,	74.10	OTTAWA,	81.00	ST. PAUL,	765.55
BOULDER,	461.90	INDIANA,	352.15	PEMBINA,	45.00	SIOUX CITY,	323.00
BOX BUTTE,	26.00	INDIANAPOLIS,	518.51	PEORIA,	661.00	SPRINGFIELD,	535.00
CEDAR RAPIDS,	316.50	IOWA,	286.15	PUEBLO,	554.00	WATERLOO,	313.95
CHEYENNE,	25.00	IOWA CITY,	214.75	PETOSKEY,	35.50	WHITEWATER,	366.40
CHICAGO,	1,081.02	KALAMAZOO,	15.00	RED RIVER,	58.78	WINONA,	105.58
CORNING,	255.00	KEARNEY,	131.20	ROCK RIVER,	235.85	WINNEBAGO,	232.25
COUNCIL BLUFFS,	119.00	LA CROSSE,	36.00	RUSHVILLE,	1,120.25	Miscellaneous,	1,523.16
CRAWFORDSVILLE,	478.50	LAKE SUPERIOR,	156.25				
DENVER,	457.00	LANSING,	130.00				
DES MOINES,	254.13	LOGANSPORT,	265.60				
DETROIT,	426.25	MANKATO,	227.08				
DUBUQUE,	181.21	MATTOON,	71.73				
DULUTH,	380.50	MILWAUKEE,	420.35				
FARGO,	57.41	MINNEAPOLIS,	1,395.54				
FLINT,	23.75	MONROE,	83.00				
FORT DODGE,	205.00	MUNCIE,	240.17				
FORT WAYNE,	491.97	NEBRASKA CITY,	411.45				

Regular Work,	$16,418.63	
Million Dollar Fund,	2,477.00	
Armenian and Syrian Relief,	19.00	
		$18,914.63
Total Receipts, March 16 to June 15, 1917,		$34,713.46

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Women's Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church

ALBANY,	$367.00	NEWBURYPORT,	$30.00
BINGHAMTON,	176.00	NEW YORK,	1,573.50
BOSTON,	176.00	NORTH RIVER,	86.00
BROOKLYN,	599.00	OTSEGO,	5.00
BUFFALO,	120.00	PRINCETON,	5.00
CAYUGA,	.27	ROCHESTER,	377.00
GENEVA,	74.00	ST. LAWRENCE,	210.50
JERSEY CITY,	911.00	SYRACUSE,	236.00
LOUISVILLE,	74.00	TRANSYLVANIA,	18.45
LYONS,	37.05	TROY,	97.00
NASSAU,	82.00	UTICA,	376.00
NEWARK,	145.00	Interest,	403.63

Receipts from May 16th to June 15th:		
Regular,	$5,971.90	
Latin America & Siam,	205.00	
War Emergency Fund,	2.50	
		$6,179.40
Total since March 15th:		
Regular,	$15,217.16	
War Emergency Fund,	25.00	
Latin America & Siam,	379.45	
New War Emergency Fund,	2.50	
		$15,624.11

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Thee Women's Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions of the Southwest

ABILENE,	$90.75	HOUSTON,	$35.00	SANTA FE,	$35.50	TULSA,	$246.00
ARKANSAS,	50.50	IRON MT.,	27.00	SEDALIA,	146.00	WACO,	169.71
AMARILLO,	104.45	JEFFERSON,	6.00	SOLOMON,	197.00	WICHITA,	369.60
AUSTIN,	68.26	JONESBORO,	23.75	ST. JOSEPH,	169.35	Bequest,	300.00
BROWNWOOD,	31.00	KANSAS CITY,	323.75	ST. LOUIS,	1,773.20	Miscellaneous,	264.45
CARTHAGE,	229.50	KIRKSVILLE,	91.00				
CIMARRON,	55.30	MCALESTER,	32.01				
DALLAS,	128.50	MCGEE,	122.20				
EL RENO,	17.00	MUSKOGEE,	71.00				
EMPORIA,	219.71	NEOSHO,	540.00				
FORT SMITH,	72.15	OKLAHOMA,	126.50				
FORT WORTH,	246.15	OSBORNE,	103.50				
HIGHLAND,	225.35	PARIS,	137.35				
HOBART,	18.75	PECOS VALLEY,	10.00				

Total for the month,	$6,877.24
Total for year to date,	7,859.22
Relief Fund for month,	86.75
M. D. C. F. for month,	136.10
M. D. C. F. for year to date,	185.60

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